

## **EAST COVENTRY HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

### **SCHEDULED MEETING MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 2016**

**Attendance:** Gail Brown (Chairperson), Penny Morton (Secretary), Larry Tietjen (Planning Commission Liaison/Member). Absent: Scott Fitzgerald (Vice Chairperson), Ann Keen (Member).

**Meeting called to order by G. Brown, Chairperson, at 7:07 p.m.**

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Minutes:** A motion was made by L. Tietjen to approve the meeting minutes of Wednesday, June 8, 2016 and was seconded by G. Brown. Approved 3-0-0.

**Public Comments:** None

#### **New Business**

1. Discussion about directional street signs for Fricks Locks Village: to be referred to the Stakeholders at the next meeting.
2. Donations: Rugene Caldwell donated books and miscellaneous reports to the Historical Commission. A complete list of those donations was provided.

#### **Old Business**

1. Report-Trails, Greenway, and Recreation Plan Task Force Meeting of Wednesday, June 29, 2016, attended by G. Brown and L. Tietjen. They stressed that the protection of historical resources must be in the mission. The Task Force was advised that Fricks Locks Village has been a National Historical Register District since 2003.
2. Report-Fricks Locks Village Stakeholders Meeting of Tuesday, June 21, 2016: the meeting minutes were reviewed with the Historical Commission. Dave Stauffer presented a map outlining the proposed future work on the Schuylkill River Trail. Proposed timeline for the start of construction is two years. Funding sources were discussed at length. Karen Marshall gave an update on the Iron and Steel brochure. Dana Melia suggested giving a tour to past and present Limerick Generating Station employees which may help to inspire new volunteer tour guides.
3. Report-Workshop: Reinventing the Commercial Corridor, Natural Lands Trust. G. Brown and K. Marshall attended the Monday, June 27, 2016 meeting held at the Coventry Mall.

#### **Planning Commission Liaison Report – L. Tietjen**

Review of "The Enclave at Ellis Woods Road": A sketch plan was approved. The Preliminary Plan calls for a review of historical impact as no new construction can occur within 100 feet of an historical resource. This has not yet gone to the Planning Commission but it appears there would be construction within this 100 foot limitation therefore a Historical Resource Impact Study should be done. L. Tietjen

made a motion to recommend a Historical Resource Impact Study be done on this property. The motion was seconded by G. Brown. Approved 3-0-0.

**Committees**

1. Oral History Committee: S. Fitzgerald (Chairperson). Not present.
2. Archives Committee: A. Keen (Chairperson). Not present.
3. Fricks Locks Tour Guide Committee: G. Brown, P. Morton (Co- Chairpersons). Regular tours continue with moderate attendance.

**Other Business:** None

**Adjournment**

G. Brown made a motion to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. which was seconded by L. Tietjen. Approved 3-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Penny Morton, Secretary